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Applicant: MESHIRER, Milton S.

Application No.: 10/662,193

Date Filed: September 11, 2003

Title: AMMUNITION ARTICLES
COMPRISING LIGHT-
CURABLE MOISTURE-
PREVENTATIVE SEALANT
AND METHOD OF
MANUFACTURING SAME

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AMENDMENT RESPONDING TO MAY 20, 2005 OFFICE ACTION IN U.S. PATENT
APPLICATION NO. 10/662,193

Mail Stop Amendment
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Sir:

This responds to the May 20, 2005 Office Action in the above-identified application.

Please amend the claims as set out in Section I (Amendments of the Claims) hereof.

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projectile/cartridge joint has no adhesive mixture whatsoever associated therewith, and the adhesive mixture 26 in fact is remote from, and not in any way in contact with, the projectile/cartridge joint.

Accordingly, Klein, far from motivating any projectile/cartridge joint sealing in the Desmond article, teaches away from any such modification, by its disclosure of a projectile/cartridge joint being unassociated with any adhesive mixture or sealant composition. Brede, the optional further reference, does not in any way cure this deficiency, since Brede fails to teach any light-curing sealant.

Accordingly, a *prima facie* case of obviousness is not present, and the combination of Desmond in view of Klein, optionally in view of Brede, does not in any way teach or suggest applicant's ammunition article as claimed in claim 31 or 33. It therefore is respectfully requested that the rejection of claims 31 and 33 based Desmond in view of Klein, optionally in view of Brede, be withdrawn.

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CONCLUSION

Claims 1-33 as amended and now pending in the application are in form and condition for allowance. Favorable action is requested.

If any remaining issues exist, the Examiner is requested to contact the undersigned attorney at (919) 419-9350.

Respectfully submitted,



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